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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CDES CO(MIMS, ARTHUR AND HEGGOD, FRANK)
SUBJECT: PRESUMED DEATHS OF ARTHUR MIMS AND FRANK HEGGOOD

REF: BARRANQUILLA 114

1. REPRESENTATIVE OF DEA BOGOTA VISITED OFFICE OF DAS SANTA MARTA ON MAY 4, AND DISCUSSED CRASH OF LOCKHEED LODESTAR N570FT WITH CAPTAIN ACEVEDO AND JOSE CASTANEDA OF THAT OFFICE. DEA REP WAS SHOWN PHOTOGRAHS TAKEN BY TEM AT CRASH SITE. THE SUBSTANCE OF THE CONVERSATION WAS REPORTED TO CONOFF ON MORNING OF MAY 5 BY DEA REP.

2. CASTANEDA INFORMED DEA REP THAT HE HAD TOLD CONOFF IN TELCON APRIL 26, THAT BODIES HAD BEEN BURIED IN COMMON GRAVE, BECAUSE NO TRACES OF ANY HUMAN REMAINS WERE FOUND AND DAS OFFICIALS ASSUMED THEY WERE BURIED, SINCE DEA AND CONOFF HAD BOTH INSISTED TWO MEN HAD DIED IN THE CRASH. DAS OFFICIALS TOLD DEA REP THAT THERE WAS NO REPEAT NO TRACE OF HUMAN REAMAINS FOUND IN OR NEAR WRECKAGE, AND THEIR SUPPOSITION ABOUT HEGGOOD AND MIMS CAME FROM INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY CONOFF. ONLY FORENSIC STUDY OF ASHES AND CINDERS OF DEBRIS FROM CRASH CAN REVEAL WHETHER OR NOT HUMAN BEINGS DIED IN THE CRASH.

3. IF, IN FACT, MIMS AND HEGGOOD WERE IN THE PLANE THAT CRASHED, CONCLUSION MUST BE DRAWN THAT THEY WERE EITHER TAKEN FROM THE SCENE
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OF THE WRECK AND DIED AND/OR WERE BURIED IN AN UNKNOWN LOCATION, OR THE BODIES OF BOTH WERE SO TOTALLY BURNED AS TO BE INDISTINGUISHED FROM THE OTHER DEBRIS AT THE SITE. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THEY SURVIVED AND ARE HIDING RECOVERING OR ARE USING ASSUMED NAMES.

4. CONOFF RECIEVED TELEPHONE CALL MAY 5 FROM JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, FROM CAPTAIN CHARLES MACDOWELL, USNR, WHO IS FRIEND

OF HEGGOOD FAMILY. ALL OF ABOVE WAS EXPLAINED TO HIM.

5. AT THIS TIME THERE IS NO EVIDENCE THAT ANYONE DIED IN CRASH OF LOCKHEED LODESTAR N570FT, OTHER THAN STATEMENTS OF THOMAS SULLIVAN. CONOFF HAS APPOINTMENT WITH BARRANQUILLA AIRPORT OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS CASE AND WILL ALSO REQUEST COPIES OF PHOTOS TAKEN AT CRASH SIT BY SANTA MARTA DAS OFFICIALS, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER PERTINENT DOCUMENTS.

6. FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS WILL BE REPORTED AS THEY OCCUR.
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